

REMARKS:

This Amendment is submitted simultaneously with filing of the above identified application.

With the present Amendment applicant has amended the claims so as to eliminate their multiple dependency.

Consideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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~~in one of the preceding Claims~~ Claim 1,

wherein

the axial spring element (32) includes an inner ring (40) and a concentric outer ring (42) having a larger diameter (47), inner ring (40) and concentric outer ring (42) being interconnected in an axially resilient manner via elastic segments (44) located in a spiral formation, and the outer ring (42) includes a reinforcement (48, 50) for fixing the outer ring (42) in position axially on a rotor component (34).